



2015 North Carolina Awards Nomination

Submission Deadline: Friday, April 24, 2015

Please select the category for which the nominee should be considered:

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Nominee Information

Dr.	Linda S. Birnbaum, Ph.D., D.A.B.T., A.T.S.	Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy
Title	Full Name	Date of Birth

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Work Phone Number		Home Phone Number		E-mail Address	

Nominee must be: ☐ Born in North Carolina and/or ☒ Current resident of North Carolina

In the space below, please provide the top 5 reasons nominated, including the nominee's achievements. Please note that there must be a minimum of 3 letters of support.

1. Dr. Birnbaum is the first woman to serve as the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Sciences (NIEHS).
2. Dr. Birnbaum is an internationally recognized expert in the fields of environmental health and toxicology, especially dealing with dioxin, Bisphenol A, asbestos, and flame retardants. She has been invited to speak at over 80 different universities, organizations, federal agencies, and international groups just in the past five years.
3. Dr. Birnbaum has given of her time freely to work with groups directly affected by various environmental pollutants. She has been active for many years in the study of the effects of Agent Orange on our veterans in Vietnam and in encouraging women to enter the scientific fields. She conducted a multi-year research study on the effects of asbestos from a vermiculite mine on the people living in the area of the mine in Libby, Montana.
4. Dr. Birnbaum has ensured that NIEHS gives back to the local community through various outreach and training programs for local students and teachers, such as the Science, Teachers, and Research Summer (STaRS) program. She also leads the Community Forums and Town Hall meetings that NIEHS holds around the country to work with groups in areas which may be experiencing issues with clean air, clean water, etc. These meetings provide information and a time for question and answer.
5. As the Director of the only National Institute of Health (NIH) Institute not in the Bethesda, MD - Washington, DC area, Dr. Birnbaum has brought the NIEHS from often being overlooked to the premier source of environmental health science based information and outreach.

Nominator Information

Name		E-mail Address		
Address		City	State	Zip
Phone Number				

To be considered for the 2015 N.C. Awards, the nomination form must be received or postmarked on or before Friday, April 24, 2015. Please submit six (6) copies of the nomination to an address below. The nomination should include this form, a cover letter, and CV/bio; publications and examples of work will also be accepted. Letters of support may follow the initial nomination.

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